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Herald of HOLINESS

July 27, 1960

Words of Wisdom from Our Founder

Dr. Donald P. Brickley has made Dr. P. F. Bresee to live anew in his recently published biography, *Man of the Morning*. All who read it will have their appreciation for the Church of the Nazarene and its founder much increased. In the following paragraphs his sound judgment and clear discriminations are set forth.

In answer to the charge of making holiness a hobby, Dr. Bresee said: "If holiness was not a complete whole, this might have some force. But all essential doctrines are necessary to it—contained in it, or connected with it. A man that really preaches holiness covers the whole range of revealed truth; to make a specialty of holiness is to be as broad and comprehensive in thought and teaching as it is possible for him to be. Holiness is generic in the Christian system; it comprehends all; it crowns all. To talk about making this all-comprehensive fact a hobby, and thus attempt to disparage it, is at least an egregious folly."

On the danger of emphasizing nonessentials he wrote: "Any church can be ruined by the emphasizing of nonessentials. Heaven's verdict has not yet been given in reference to all the churches which have been destroyed; but doubtless when it is, it will be found that some of them have been killed by the preaching and emphasizing of nonessentials. All aggregations of people probably honestly differ upon enough things, so that if these various things are sufficiently brought forward and preached and emphasized, it will in turn drive all of them away, or so absorb them in the conflict that they might as well be away. Where nonessentials are thus emphasized, the party in the ascendancy, who have got rid of those who differ with them, will soon find some further nonessential, in reference to which they will turn upon each other. Weak, prejudiced human nature takes to nonessentials 'like a duck to water.' It is our business to see Jesus and the power of His blood to save, and be filled with His spirit and love.

"One thing is always prevalent and predominant; the Blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin."

General Superintendent Williamson

LATE NEWS

Telegram . . .

Calgary, Alberta, Canada—Canada West District Assembly enjoying gracious blessings of Almighty God under the leadership of General Superintendent Young. Fourteenth and final report of District Superintendent Edward Lawlor shows gains. The Lawlors will be greatly missed in Canada West. Assembly enthusiastically elected Rev. Herman L. G. Smith, pastor of Calgary First Church, as district superintendent. Conventions stirred with messages by Mrs. Wanda Knox from New Guinea, and Rev. Bert Daniels, superintendent of Canada Pacific District. Canada West accepted participation in "Try Christ's Way" following great appeal by General Superintendent Young. Entire district moves forward with "Evangelism First."—Paul B. Hicks, Reporter.

After two years as pastor of the church in Weldona, Colorado, Rev. H. J. Franklin has resigned to accept a call to pastor the church in Shattuck, Oklahoma.

Rev. David K. Ehrlin has resigned as pastor of the Beacon Hill Church in Seattle, Washington, to accept the pastorate of First Church in Battle Creek, Michigan.

Evangelist C. T. Cook writes that he is leaving the field to accept work as a pastor; his new address is Waterloo, Indiana.

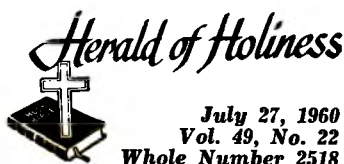
Rev. Morris A. Weigelt, a 1959 graduate of Nazarene Theological Seminary, graduated on June 6 from Princeton Theological Seminary with the Th.M. degree. He has now accepted a call to pastor First Church in Danbury, Connecticut.

Rev. Russell Bush has resigned the pastorate at Kiowa, where he has spent the last two years, to accept a call to pastor the church at Chase, Kansas.

THIS IS TO LIVE—

To meet life eager, unafraid
Of pain or hardship; to evade
No task entrusted to my care;
Refuse no call to lift and share
Another's load; to intercede
With loving prayer for his great need;
And ever ready to forgive—
This is to live!

—BELLE CHAPMAN MORRILL



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MINISTRY

By BERNIECE AYERS HALL

Give me Christ's eager feet to go
All up and down the lands
Where lives are plagued by sin and woe.
Give me His tireless hands
To touch and lift the suffering,
To share the heavy loads
That burden men. Lord, help me bring
On all the traveled roads
That stretch beneath Thy boundless
skies
The love beyond compare
That ever filled the Master's eyes
When He beheld despair.

For what to me are hands and feet
That speed across the earth
To places where the needy meet,
Yet have no shining worth?
If I know not His love—these be
Spent on an empty ministry!

To Call



. . . Listen!

By KATHERINE BEVIS

A little boy was asked one time, what he said in his prayers. His answer was, "I don't say anything. I just listen."

In years gone by our telephone was not automatically operated. We did not have the dial system then as we do now. To make a call one must signal the operator to obtain the required number. I found myself thinking the other day about the instructions that were on my telephone before the dial system: "To call operator, lift receiver and listen."

It sounds rather contradictory doesn't it—in order to call, one had to listen? Yet it was the only way I could get through to the party I wanted.

The same rule can be applied to our praying. In order to call upon God, and hear His voice, our minds, hearts, and souls must be lifted to receive the answer. We must listen for the still, small voice—listen quietly with a reassuring conviction that God is there, waiting and ready to answer our call.

We do not really need to tell God anything. He knows all. But we do need to listen more consecratedly to His voice.

It is related in the third chapter of the First Book of Samuel that the child Samuel was taught by Eli to listen to God's voice and to recognize it when he heard it. Three times Samuel heard his name called in the night and obediently ran to Eli, mistaking the call for a human summons. But Eli's spiritual intuition perceived that what the boy heard was not a human voice but a divine call. He then told the child that the next time he heard the call he was to reply, "Speak, Lord; for thy servant heareth."

When we have "lifted our souls" heavenward—when we have listened for the still, small voice, then we can say, "Speak, Lord; for thy servant heareth."

"To call . . . listen!" We have lived in a hurried, frustrated world. We need to do much prayerful listening. We should never speak a word, make a decision, or take a step, without first listening for divine guidance. We must keep our minds and souls "uplifted" if we are truly to call upon God and hear the message He has for us.

To call—listen!

A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold (Proverbs 22:1).

“If Thou Canst Believe”

By JOHN A. MONROE

Pastor, Roseville, California

The faith of Jesus was adequate and He knew it. When he was on earth there was no situation that did or could arise which He could not face with confidence that His power was more than adequate to bring about complete victory. He faced life with quietness and confidence and was never confounded or confused.

While His disciples cried out and trembled with fear, Jesus faced serenely the tossing, rolling waves of the Sea of Galilee and spoke peace to the turbulent waters and brought the wind to a sighing standstill. “And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?” (Mark 4:40)

Five thousand hungry people looked at Him at the close of a long, hot day in which He had proclaimed His gospel to the poor and needy and healed those that needed healing. Christ looked back at them with a realization in His heart that He could alleviate their hunger. He took the lunch of a small boy (five loaves and two fishes) and “looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and brake, and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude. And they did eat, and were all filled; and there was taken up of fragments that remained to them twelve baskets” (Luke 9:16-17).

He faced the sealed tomb of Lazarus, and though He wept, He knew that He was adequate for the situation and cried for Lazarus to come forth. Lazarus came!

Before Jesus left for His home in glory He gave His disciples (and also us today) the wonderful message that “all power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. . . and, lo, I am with you alway” (Matthew 28:18-20). Again He said, “If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and *we will come unto him, and make our abode with him*” (John 14:23). And John wrote: “Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world” (I John 4:4). “This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith” (I John 5:4).

The faith of Jesus took Him through the time of His temptation in which He “was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin” (Hebrews 4:15). It carried Him through times of persecution, misunderstanding, hardship, poverty, and even the death on the cross. It carried Him through the tomb out into the light of glorious resurrection, and back to His wavering disciples to give to them the Comforter who would enable them to rise above the dark places of temptation, trial, hardships, misunderstanding, loneliness, etc., until with a ringing challenge of faith they turned the world upside down.

We have some worlds that need to be turned upside down—the world of self, the world of our home life, the world of our church, the world of our community, and on and on. With the Trinity in our hearts and empowered by the Holy Spirit we must grow in grace, and pray, and believe, and work, and raise up a witness which will reveal the power and glory of God more and more as we see the things come to pass which herald the near approach of Christ’s coming again.

Just as the faith of Christ was adequate for all that He had to face and go through, enabling Him to come out more than conqueror, even so, He in us will give us the faith which will prove adequate for us to meet the cares, problems, trials, and demands of life. Also, a faith to reach out and do exploits which will reveal to the world the holiness and power of God; seeing the commission given to Paul, “To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me” (Acts 26:18), coming to pass in our day in ever-increasing tides of glory.

Thank God for the faith of the past. Thank God for an adequate faith that can bring greater victories today and tomorrow. “If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. . . . Lord, . . . help thou mine unbelief” (Mark 9:23-24).

The Christian's Counselor

By H. F. SMITH

"He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost" (Acts 19:2).

Those words might well be written over the portals of many a Christian's home and some Christian churches. Our understanding of the Holy Spirit may not be as completely lacking as it was with those to whom Paul spoke, it is true. We, at least, have heard of the Holy Spirit. We know something of Jesus Christ—He lived among us in the form and fashion of a man—we can read the record. God, the Father, has revealed himself to us in myriad ways. But, who and what is the Holy Spirit?

The word "spirit" is often confusing, for as it is used today it is as vague as a fog. What are we talking about? Is it something which the ordinary mind cannot grasp, which defies definition, which makes Christianity a dark, mysterious thing, confusing, and not very relevant to common, everyday experience? Why not just believe in God and try to follow Jesus Christ? Isn't that enough to ask of a believer?

Well, let's get to the heart of the matter by saying that the doctrine of the Holy Spirit is not just an idea dreamed up by the early Christians or by theologians in later generations. It is not just an unnecessary notion to be accepted or rejected according to the whim of the individual. It is a vital part of Christian faith.

Those early Christians believed, as do we, in God the Creator—that the world and all creation had not come into being by accident. But now this same God had appeared in the flesh, had walked the familiar hills and valleys, and had demonstrated by what He was, what He said, what He did, and above all, by His rising from the dead, that He was unlike any other who had lived. Men believed Him to be truly the Son of God. But before His crucifixion He had said something which at the time was hard to understand. He had said, "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth" (John 16:12-13). "It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you" (John 16:7). "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all

things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you" (John 14:26).

There it was, from the lips of the Master, himself—the Comforter, the Holy Spirit. Even then men did not understand. They did not, as a matter of fact, until Pentecost. On that day some three thousand souls were visited by and received the Holy Spirit. They became changed men—transformed, daring, sanctified men.

Now Christ was no longer with them in the flesh. They could no longer go to Him with every question, depend on Him for strength and wisdom and understanding. They were now on their own in the midst of a hostile world—and yet not alone, for the Holy Spirit was in them and in their midst. It was as Christ had promised—the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, the active presence of God, was in their lives to enable them to do what they would never have dreamed of doing on their own. They were infused with boldness, enthusiasm, and confidence born of the Holy Spirit, and the world has never been the same since.

We begin to see why the doctrine of the Holy Spirit is as much a part of the Christian faith as the doctrine of God, the Father, and Jesus Christ, the Son. Our understanding is not complete until we have begun to understand that God manifests himself in three essential ways—as Creator, as Saviour, as Guiding Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is, first, the Interpreter of Christ. How often we have wanted to know what Christ would do or what Christ would have us do in a given situation. If we are honest and sincere in our concern, we will search the Gospels and seek to discern His mind. But Christ did not lay down a set of rules and regulations covering every possibility. He did not give us five easy steps for happy living, or a compendium of simple laws for every situation. Had He done so, they would have been hopelessly outmoded. The world in which He lived knew nothing of atom bombs, assembly lines, and stock markets. He spoke to the raw stuff of human nature which was the same then as now, and all the ages since have not found Him in error at a single point. The New Testament is a book of principles and not a book of laws. Still, our decisions are difficult, our opinions complicated by a crazy network of conflicting authorities.

What is the mind of Christ for business? How can we know what is right in this peril-fraught age which breathes the very dust of atomic fission?

What of all the personal decisions we must make in the daily round? Who can help? Who can guide us and lead us, not to the expedient but to the true? "The Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things" (John 14:26).

A great military leader at the ceremony of surrender after the last great war said, "We have had our last chance. It must be of the Spirit if we are

to save the flesh." These last twelve years have only reaffirmed that appraisal and brought us to the realization, however dim, that we must either follow the "Comforter," or perish in the dusty rubble of our obliterated cities. The Holy Spirit is at work among us, verifying the mind and message of Jesus Christ. We must be sensitive to His approach if we are to live on any terms!

The Beauty and Influence of Right Living

By A. S. LONDON

People are largely influenced to the Christian religion by what other people are. Solomon said, "The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life" (Proverbs 10:11). Winning men to Christ through holy living is the greatest work that ever caused rejoicing of the angels of God. A good life means repetition in other lives. A Christian man is the sun which radiates the warmth of other lives.

It has been said that communism is winning the world with a lie, while we are losing it with the truth. Since 1918, Communists have succeeded in putting 233 million more people under their leadership. In our country, atheism is trying to destroy our faith; radicalism is trying to destroy our brotherhood; liberalism is doing its best to destroy our sacred traditions, and lawlessness our civic order.

Our need is for a discipleship that manifests itself in a stirring spiritual passion to make disciples of Christ. Millions will never be won to Christ without genuine Christlike living on the part of professed Christians. It was said of Barnabas, "For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord" (Acts 11:24).

We make or mar the message of God to man by the way we live. Gandhi once said that he would have become a Christian had it not been for the way Christians lived with whom he came in contact. Could he have made such a statement if the Christians he had known had lived a beautiful Christian way of life, free from selfish motives?

Brainerd, the great missionary, said, "Do not think it is enough to live at the rate of common Christians." Judson, of missionary fame, remarked, "Let me beg of you not to be content with the commonplace religion now prevalent." Another has said, "After thirty years in missionary work,

it is my conclusion, that the greatest hindrance in our work is the poor way Christians live."

A Jewish rabbi said, "We Jews have denied Christ. You Christians, by the way you have lived, have disgraced Him." Oswald Chambers made the statement, "If I have a personal relationship with Christ, it will show in the way I live toward and among others."

There ought to be a constant spiritual fragrance going out from the lives of all who profess to know Christ. A cross word, an ugly temper, a mean look, may be used of Satan to destroy the influence of the public sermon. A life is often blighted by the unchristian acts of those who profess to be Christians. We ought always to reproduce Christ's spirit in our everyday living.

Henry Ward Beecher once said in a sermon, "We should so live that what came to us a seed would go to others a blossom, and what came to us a blossom should go forth as fruit."

Patrick Henry who said, "Give me liberty or give me death," said in his last will and testament: "I have now disposed of all my property to my family. There is one more thing I wish I could give them, and that is the Christian religion. If they had this, and I had not given them a shilling, they would be rich. And if they had not that, and I had given them all the world, they would be poor."

May Christ help us always to show the beauty of being a Christian, and let our influence go out as a saving factor, is my message and prayer!

Silent Partner

By ILA R. MONDAY

*This is strength: your weakness left to Him;
And love—just as its depth is made His, too;
This is gentleness: your helping hand—
His deep-pierced hand—accompanied by you.*

*This is knowledge: just as He makes wise;
This compassion: His to pour heart-deep;
Wondrous gifts . . . the more you give away
The more He lays these up for you to keep.*

When a temptation is over it will be well to remember that—

Satan Departs Only for a Season!

By MONT HURST

After having successfully thwarted the tricks and assaults of the devil we are often prone to forget that he never gives up trying. It's practically impossible to discourage the devil unless we live the sanctified life moment by moment, hour by hour, day by day. We can depend on Satan to make a return visit.

No one is safe from the temptations of the devil—Jesus himself wasn't. We read, "And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him [Jesus] for a season" (Luke 4:13). A season is a time, and the devil had no intention of departing from our Saviour forever. We know that Jesus was often tempted by the devil in various ways. The devil used people—even church people—to attempt to cause Him to make a mistake. The devil sought, through people, to propound tricky questions to Jesus; and he still works that way today.

We have numerous cases related in God's Word of how the devil tempted the people of God, in both the Old and the New Testaments. He sought by every means he could devise to cause Job to fall—and it appeared at times as if Job would succumb. But Job was true. He was a good and perfect man in God's sight. He must have been a real, dyed-in-the-wool, Old Testament sanctified believer! He successfully withstood the assaults of Satan, emerged in mighty triumph, and received blessings without measure as a result.

Too often we fall into the trap of complacency after conversion and the baptism with the Holy Spirit. It is so easy to believe that we have at last reached the safe stockade where the devil cannot get at us. It is here that we become fallible, for Satan finds loopholes in our stockade and manages to thrust his deadly darts through them. Being filled with the Spirit is not the end of spiritual existence on earth. On the contrary, it is only the beginning of Christian living at its best; it is a continuing process. It is a program that must ever broaden and move faster as we march towards the summit of Zion's hill.

Being tempted is not, in itself, a sin. We know that Jesus was tempted. But the Bible says, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation" (Matthew 26:41). It is in entering into the temptation, or snare of the devil, that we face destruction. Dryden said, "Better shun the bait than struggle in the snare." William Penn, the pious

Quaker, said, "God is better served in *resisting* a temptation than in many formal prayers." The program of the devil is very attractive. It is filled with the promise of good, lovely, and profitable things. He uses better bait than many so-called religious leaders use. He has all the implements and accessories needed to snare the unwary Christian. One old-time writer said that there are times it would seem as if God fished with a line and the devil with a net!

It is a verity of spirituality that temptations should result as we get closer to God. Genuine, born-again, Spirit-filled Christians are endowed with the power necessary to resist the devil. The trouble is that too many fail to recognize and call upon this power. They allow the devil to fit them with rose-tinted glasses and the outlook appears bright and joyous. They forget that they are prime targets of the devil; he doesn't bother with those in sin. He is concerned with snaring those who live the holiest lives—he hates holiness. He cringes at the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. He screams in rage when he hears Christians pray. Gustavus Adolphus once said that the devil is very near at hand to those who, like monarchs, are accountable to none but God for their actions.

Henry Ward Beecher said, "Find out what your temptations are, and you will find out largely what you are yourself." Individual temptations have been specially designed for each of us by the devil. He knows our personal weaknesses and he devises his snares accordingly; he knows our weak spots. But in the life of true holiness, bolstered with Pentecostal power, there is always a sufficiency of dependable ammunition to smash the onslaught of the devil.

Fenelon said that there is temptation on all this earth. Our life is a continual combat, but one in which Jesus Christ fights for us. We must pass on unmoved, while temptations rage around us, as the traveler, overtaken by a storm, simply wraps his cloak more closely about him, and pushes on more vigorously toward his destined home. Let's never forget that the devil cannot be easily discouraged. As he flees from us after we defeat him, we must remember he will try again, using another method in his effort to snare us. He only departs for a season—and a season can be from one hour to the next; but through Christ and His power we can be "more than conquerors"!

As I walked over our farm I was reminded that—

“The Best Things in Life Are Free”

By BERTHA THOMPSON

As I walked over our little farm this early spring morning, my heart and mind were so refreshed with the beauty all around me. The sky was of that soft azure blue with a deeper hue all around the horizon, with soft, fleecy clouds floating leisurely along as if they were loath to leave, knowing they were adding to the beauty of the morning scene.

The redbuds were blooming so profusely while even an old thorn tree had lovely, miniature white blooms on it. The sweet williams were in their usual place while the anemones with their delicate hues nodded shyly. The common dandelion reminded me of Psalms 119:127, “Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold.”

As I walked up and down the curves of the hills, I noticed the tops of the slopes were much less green than the valleys. I presumed that the rainfall drained into the lower places, giving the grass a greater amount of moisture there. “He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters” (Psalms 23:2).

Truly the “best things in life are free.” Mother Nature doesn’t say, “Twenty-five cents to look at that patch of clover,” or, “It will cost you fifty cents to smell those apple blossoms.” No, it seems that she just sits back, smiles and says, “All is yours; examine and enjoy everything; only be sure to show the Owner the proper respect.”

The song writer says, “Take Time to Be Holy.” I seem to find myself closer to God as I take these morning jaunts. Can we afford to let modern civilization rob us of the pleasure of walking out into God’s green earth and communing with nature?

The songbirds were bursting their throats with song. It sounded as if they were trying to thank God for the beauty surrounding them. The rat-tat-tat of the woodpecker reminded me of the work-a-day world in which we have a part. The diminutive peewee brings to my mind us common people that fill small places in life and yet are indispensable.

When I hear the plaintive cry of the mourning dove, I always think of that Bible verse, “Blessed

are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted” (Matthew 5:4). The mockingbird, imitating all the other songsters, reminds me of that passage where Paul says, “I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some” (I Corinthians 9:22).

We all have read the Bible verse that tells us He even notes the fall of the sparrow. (Matthew 10:31.) Could this be part of their mission—to remind people that He considers even a sparrow?

A pair of cardinals reminded me of Isaiah 1:18, “Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.”

As I pull the petals off a daisy one by one and begin, “He loves me, he loves me not,” I hardly ever finish, for I know that *He* loves me. Does not John 3:16 say, “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life”?

The beauty of nature and the “beauty of holiness” walk hand in hand, having the same Creator.

Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are (I Corinthians 3:16-17).

Visitors “Take Over” the Publishing House

Nazarene visitors and their friends literally swarmed through the Publishing House in sight-seeing groups during the week of General Assembly sessions and the pre-assembly conventions. Four thousand visitors were taken on tours conducted by members of the Publishing House staff. The record for one day was 1,224.

What a pleasure it was to have these visitors come to see us. We had planned for them. The guides were briefed and organized to save time for all concerned. And how gratifying it was to hear the favorable comments on the buildings, the machinery, the office equipment—in fact, everyone seemed to be enthusiastic about every aspect of their publishing institution.

If you were not among those who could visit us, plan now to do so on your next vacation trip. You are always welcome at your Publishing House.

Before They Call . . . He Answers!

By HAZEL E. HOWARD

I looked at the dollar bill that tumbled out of a friend's letter and said, "Thank You, Lord." Tucking it in my purse with its four pennies, I calculated mentally what it would buy. A gallon of gas (I lived three uphill miles from the closest bus line), two cans of dog food, and some groceries. As usual, I might have a few pennies left. God had supplied my need according to His promise in Philippians 4:19; but . . . what about tomorrow?

Like David, I began to encourage myself "in the Lord." I turned the calendar backward recalling the hundred-dollar-note my husband and I had seen no way of meeting, and how the check had arrived not the day before, or the day after, but *the very day it was due*. And this miracle had been repeated when we had been forced to sign another note. A check appeared in our mailbox *the day the note fell due*.

Then there was the time not long ago when my husband, after doctoring for three months, had been confined to his bed for a number of weeks. Caring for him days, I left at six o'clock to operate our business and return after midnight. The money I took in barely covered running expenses. Doctor fees and other bills mounted steadily. There seemed no way to climb over or tunnel through the mountain of debt. Driving the four miles to town one afternoon, my heart was burdened. My husband was growing weaker, and I was literally scraping the bottom of our "money barrel." I could not burden him with my problem.

And then, about halfway to town, I heard a Voice so plainly I glanced over my shoulder to see if there was a back-seat passenger. "Ask, and it shall be given you," the Voice said. I knew it must be the Lord.

"All right, Lord," I said out loud. "I am ask-

ing right now. You know all about our needs. I *know* You will supply them as You have promised, and . . . I thank You for it." My heart felt lighter, and a few days later, over three hundred dollars was received from an unexpected source . . . enough to carry us through the next two months.

And then we were down to eight dollars. Again in the car, I began to talk to the Lord. "We haven't paid last year's taxes, and the new ones will soon be due. You told Peter to look in the fish's mouth for Your tax money, Lord, but I have no fish. If it be Your will, please undertake again."

Within a week the answer came, the same amount of money as before; and two months later there was another repeat. Our financial problems were solved for the time being and my faith in prayer had grown stronger.

Since then the Lord has undertaken in marvelous ways. Alone in the world, I have often wondered how I could manage on my small income. Only last summer I was trying to figure a way to pay recently accrued doctor bills. That morning I read David's cry, "I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God" (Psalms 40:17). On my knees I repeated the words, asking the Lord to supply my needs and thanking Him for it. Three hours later, my telephone rang. A recipe I had entered in a contest in the spring and forgotten about had won a cash prize. It had taken months to test and judge the recipes in the contest but God had answered "*before I called*."

How wonderful it is to know that our Heavenly Father has the interests of His children at heart. He anticipates our needs and prayers and, while He may delay the answer, yet it will come, and *at the right moment*.

"When dark days deter us, when we cannot see a noticeable growth in the advancement of God's cause, then we discern with the Spirit's guidance the imperishability of our Father's kingdom and accept by faith the responsibility of the

Great Commission, wherewith it shall increase. Then it is we see the longsuffering of God, and our own strength and patience are renewed to advance the Kingdom that knows no bounds, race, time, or space."
—Selected.



THE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE is looking forward to a mighty Quadrennium of Evangelism and the fall emphasis "Try Christ's Way" is gaining momentum. Rev. Bennett Dudney, director of Christian Service Training, left, and Bert Goodman, director of Visual Art, are checking over a large banner and display to be used at district assemblies.

How Much Religion Do I Need?

By **CHARSTEN CHRISTENSEN**

It was the storekeeper in a little stormbound Dakota town who asked former General Superintendent Morrison: "What is the absolute minimum of religion I need to get to heaven?" And Dr. Morrison's Spirit-inspired answer was: "The least religion you need to take you to heaven is the amount of religion you need to be comfortable in the presence of Jesus."

Hearing this incident related recently made me curious as to the answer I might get from people in different walks and conditions of life. Here, in substance, are the answers to "How much religion do you need?"

A successful surgeon replied: "Enough to give me the complete yieldedness in the hands of God which a patient has in the hands of the operating surgeon."

A lawyer, trained in the United States, said: "Decisions by the Supreme Court state whether a verdict is 'constitutional' or 'unconstitutional.' To make heaven, the final verdict on my soul must be: *Constitutional*." A British-trained lawyer said much the same: "My spiritual life must pass the careful scrutiny of the Privy Council of heaven."

A high school teacher said: "I must have enough salvation to be as spiritually convincing to my

students when I am teaching mathematics as when I am giving my testimony at church."

A university professor of English said: "The split infinitives, the dangling participles, the stylistic discords of my innermost life must be covered by the Blood."

A businessman said: "The weights and measures of the spiritual life must be as scrupulously looked after as are the scales and balances regularly scrutinized by the government inspectors."

A farmer replied: "In my work I apply the law of sowing and reaping. That is why I have tried in my Christian life to be faithful in sowing to the Spirit. I want to reap life everlasting."

A housewife said: "I need enough religion to know that the inside of the cup and platter is as clean as the outside."

A student answered: "The factors determine the answer to a problem. The Blood applied to my soul—a daily walk guided by the Spirit—a love for my fellow man—these are the basic factors that make me feel that the outcome of my spiritual life will be God's benediction: 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant: . . . enter thou into the joy of thy Lord' " (Matthew 25:21).

It's more exciting to be harvesting grain than to be



SOWING SEED

By **WILBUR T. DODSON**

Pastor, Fessenden, North Dakota

Different varieties of seeds are sown at different times of the year. In various parts of the country the same kind of grain is sown at different seasons. For instance, in the South hard wheat is sown in the fall; in the North it is planted in the early spring.

There are many difficulties that accompany the planting of seeds. Most of the wheatland in the North is "summer fallow" grown. This enables the farmer to get into the field a little earlier. The time element is of utmost importance in the planting of seeds.

Regardless of the locality, seeding has its disadvantages. In some areas the September day can be hot and dry, while the days of April and May are still cold and disagreeable in the North.

On the afternoon of May 4 of this year, I stopped by the roadside to talk to a farmer who was filling his drill with seed and fertilizer. The day was cold; occasionally the air was filled with sleet and blowing snow. In spite of the gloves and parka, the cold air and spitting snow made seeding the crop quite miserable work. After a short conversation, my friend said, "It isn't as exciting to plant seeds as it is to harvest grain. If it weren't for the thought of the harvest of grain, I wouldn't be out here today."

It's more exciting to be in the harvest—to see the field of ripened, golden grain, waving in the breeze and waiting for the reaper. It is not hard to arise early and work late, for this is the end of a year's labor.

It is thrilling to be in a service where there are shouts of newborn souls; but before this is accomplished, the seed must be sown. There are sometimes drouths of discouragement, snow flurries of indifference, and winds of opposition, but the thought of a harvest encourages the sowing of good seed. "And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal; that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together" (John 4:36).

DR. W. T. PURKISER

New Editor of the *Herald of Holiness*



The General Assembly elected Dr. W. T. Purkiser to be my successor as editor of the *Herald of Holiness*. Dr. Purkiser is well prepared to fill this position both by training and experience. He is a graduate of Pasadena College, and has the master of arts and doctor of philosophy degrees from the University of Southern California. He has been an ordained minister in our church since 1932, and was active in the work of our church from 1930 to 1957 as a pastor, or teacher, professor, dean, and president of Pasadena College. Since 1957, he has been professor of English Bible in the Nazarene Theological Seminary. Dr. Purkiser is a Christian gentleman, and has distinguished himself as a scholar, preacher, and writer. During his nearly thirty years of service in Pasadena College and Nazarene Theological Seminary, he has been in demand as a preacher or special speaker in many areas of our church. I am confident that Dr. Purkiser will give himself wholeheartedly and successfully to this new and important place of leadership in our church—the editorship of the *Herald of Holiness*.
—STEPHEN S. WHITE, *Editor*.

It is with satisfaction and confidence that we welcome Dr. Westlake T. Purkiser to the editorship of the *Herald of Holiness*. As he assumes the responsibilities of this major assignment, Dr. Purkiser inherits a half century of editorial tradition to which every predecessor has added his particular element of strength. By both training and experience Dr. Purkiser is equipped to make a noteworthy contribution to this editorial succession.

The editor of the *Herald of Holiness* bears a vital and determining relationship to the Church of the Nazarene. No single element in our church life exercises greater influence. Obviously, the editor must be sound in doctrine, clear as to the experiences of justification and entire sanctification, firm as to basic convictions, and loyal to the mission and spirit of our church.

But in this significant post there is also the call for breadth of knowledge in the field of religion, an understanding of the temper and trends of the day, and the ability to maintain confidence and balance in the face of various pressures. The position also calls for depth in spiritual perception and expression, expert guidance in the thought

and experience of our people, plus the capacity for stimulating and maintaining interest.

Added to all these is the responsibility for producing, or of securing such assistance as will produce, a paper that is modern in concept, attractive in layout, significant in content, balanced in interests, and readable.

A "large order"! But we believe Dr. Westlake T. Purkiser has the qualifications, the disposition, and the energy to meet these specifications. As he undertakes this assignment, we of the Board of General Superintendents pledge to him our prayers, our co-operation and our understanding. We believe he is entering upon an unparalleled opportunity for service to God and the church. We bespeak for him the loyalty and support of our people in this major and growing editorial ministry.

HUGH C. BENNER, *Secretary*
Board of General Superintendents

The new editor of the *Herald of Holiness*, Dr. W. T. Purkiser, is a man of mature experience, sound judgment, and firm convictions. I came to know him first more than twenty years ago when he was in one of his several pastorates. I sensed in him then a spiritual leader of unusual gifts and graces.

He served Pasadena College for twenty years as professor, dean, vice-president, and president, giving to this institution dedicated leadership and always abounding in his "loyalty to Christ and the Bible," the motto given to the college by its honored founder, Phineas F. Bresee.

For the past three years Dr. Purkiser has been head of the Department of the English Bible at Nazarene Theological Seminary, where he has made a distinct contribution in helping to train our ministers to be earnest students of the Word and "Bible preachers."

Dr. Purkiser is a gifted writer—a field in which he excels. He presents truth in a simple, direct, forceful way. As editor in chief of the "Exploring" series published by the Nazarene Publishing House, he has brought wide acclaim in Protestant circles to this publishing venture of the church. His book entitled *Security, the False and the True* is one of the clearest statements on eternal security "the House" has ever published; and his book, *Conflicting Concepts of Holiness*, is an outstanding contribution to the permanent literature of the church relating to our cardinal doctrine—holiness of heart and life.

As a preacher, Dr. Purkiser is a minister of the Word. He is much in demand for revivals, holiness conventions, and pastoral meetings where he expounds the Bible doctrine of scriptural holiness

or entire sanctification with unusual simplicity and forcefulness.

As the editor of our official church publication, the *Herald of Holiness*, he follows a succession of honored men who have filled that office and will give to the church in this capacity a warm heart, a logical mind, and a spiritual dynamic so urgently needed in today's turbulent world.

S. T. LUDWIG, *General Church Secretary*

It has been my rare privilege to have known Dr. Westlake T. Purkiser from childhood, and later as college student, pastor, college professor, acting president, and lastly as college president for nine fruitful years. He is a man of great ability and sound scholarship, an original thinker and a writer of unexcelled ability. The books that he has either written or edited show the depth of his scholarship, and are presented in a style that is both clear and comprehensive. Dr. Purkiser as a man is extremely courteous and thoughtful, always gracious in his dealings with others, sound in judgment, flawless in doctrine, and deeply spiritual. The pages of the *Herald of Holiness* under his administration will pulsate with spiritual life and his editorials will ring true as the voice of the Church of the Nazarene.

Since Dr. Stephen S. White, the former editor who has served the church so long and so well, voluntarily resigned his high office at the close of this quadrennium, we know of no one who as his successor will serve the church more worthily and efficiently as editor of the *Herald of Holiness* than Dr. Westlake T. Purkiser.

H. ORTON WILEY, *President Emeritus*
Pasadena College

The Christian's Hope

By F. W. DAVIS

*When I think of that wonderful city
That Jesus has gone to prepare,
And its glories so grand and celestial,
There's nothing on earth to compare.
There'll be nothing but peace and contentment
And joy beyond every control.
Oh, glory to Jesus forever,
For that wonderful hope of the soul!*

*No sadness can enter God's city,
No tears will moisten the eye,
No pain and no sickness can enter
That beautiful home in the sky.
What a glorious hope for the Christian!
Thro' faith we must ever be true—
When our life and our labor is all ended,
We shall live far above the bright blue.*



EDITORIALS...

There Was Freedom!

As I look back on the General Assembly, I am impressed more and more with the spirit that was present. It was a spirit of freedom, from the first to the last service. It wasn't freedom that was built up, or born of human manipulation; it was freedom that God gave. We had some meetings which were wonderful for their quietness; a spirit of devotion permeated the songs, the preaching, and even the business. There were other times that were hilarious. God didn't break in on these services any more than He did on the ones first mentioned; He just manifested His presence in a different way. This is as it should be in a holiness church. Our God is a God of variety. He can and does reveal himself in the still small voice and also in a mighty sweep of outpoured feeling. In either type of service there is freedom, and that is what God wants.

You say, "Was there any shouting?" Sure, there was shouting, plenty of it, in some of the services. You ask, "Did you like that?" Sure I liked it, as well as the devotional type of service, the quiet kind. I don't place any special premium on high and mighty emotional manifestations, but I believe a church which is in divine order will have such manifestations at times. I wouldn't want to pastor a church where God never came in this manner. Neither would I want to pastor a church where such as this happened only because somebody worked it up; it must be something that comes down from heaven. The services of this type during the General Assembly came down from heaven—they were not humanly created.

There was freedom in the General Assembly. No one who was there could doubt this. I don't remember having attended any district or general

meeting in our church where this spirit of freedom was more evident. We must keep the door open for such freedom, not only in our General Assemblies, but also in our district meetings and in our local church services.

It Was Refreshing!

The General Assembly was refreshing! For this reason, if for no other, it would have been wonderful if all of our people could have attended it. In our local churches, whether small or large, we are so close to our problems and the shortcomings of those with whom we work that it is easy to get discouraged and then critical. We become too conscious of the failures of our local church or its uncomplimentary features. Because of this, it's good to get into some district or general gathering occasionally, or when on a vacation have the opportunity to visit some other local Church of the Nazarene and enjoy the blessing and feel the impact of its services. In this way we get out of our own particular environment, and see the other side of our church without getting so close up that we see only its problems and weaknesses. A change, if not indulged in too often, is good for us. The General Assembly was refreshing!

Changing Positions

For twelve years I have been editor of the *Herald of Holiness*. I have enjoyed my work with the official church organ immensely, although I realize my limitations for such a position much more now than I did when I accepted it. Still, the people have been very considerate; they have borne with my shortcomings, and have stood by the *Herald of Holiness*.

When I was re-elected in 1956, I told the Board of General Superintendents that I would not consider re-election in 1960. By that time I would

reach the age of seventy. I think that the average person, however well he may feel, is foolish to take on a full-time job at that age when he can obtain a part-time position. My health is good and, in some ways, better than it has been for several years. Still, the work connected with the *Herald* has become heavier with the years, and a younger man is needed for the task.

I came to Kansas City in 1945 to teach in Nazarene Theological Seminary, which was then being

• By *Stephen S. White*

started. After three years, I was elected editor of the *Herald of Holiness*. Since this time, I have taught at least one course each year in the Seminary; however, my main work has been with the *Herald*, and I have had to give most of my time to it. Now I'm having the privilege of returning to the Seminary, to teach half time. This will bring me back to my "first love," and give me a lighter load, such as I want. It will be a pleasure to work under Dr. L. T. Corlett, president of Nazarene Theological Seminary, and with the other members of the Seminary faculty. I have always believed in Nazarene Theological Seminary, and believe in it more strongly today than ever before. I am delighted to find a place to serve the Lord in this institution.

Communism

Much is being said about Communism since the Summit Conference exploded before it began. Some would blame President Eisenhower for the collapse of this important meeting, a meeting that many had hoped would take the chill off the "cold war." Instead, it seems to have aggravated the situation; the "cold war" is getting "colder" than it has been for some time.

All of this front-page talk about Communism stirs me to speak my mind on this subject. I have absolutely no use for Communism. I am tired of hearing people talk nicely about it. I don't believe there is anything good in it, never has been, and never will be. It is of the devil. It started out with no God and has no God now.

But someone may say, You must love and be kind to everybody, and give everybody his just dues. Well, the Communistic rulers don't have any just dues, any more than the devil has. The Bible, or Christianity, doesn't exhort me to give the devil any terms. There's a sort of universalism, or ecumenicity, going round the world which disturbs me. Its second name is tolerance, a tolerance which ends in compromise. There are

some people from almost all walks in life who feel that they are extraordinarily intellectual or broad-minded, and therefore must be very kind to the Communists; they tend to give them the benefit of ALL the doubt. In this I am not thinking of the Russian people, but rather the Russian leaders. They are out to dominate the world—that's their sole purpose, and they propose to do it by any means available.

Once again let me say I have no use for Communism. It has no use for America. Do I mean by what I've said that our democratic system is an absolutely perfect one? Not at all, but it is one that can be improved, while Communism cannot be. Who is to blame, then, for the failure of the Summit Conference? Mr. Khrushchev is to blame for it and not President Eisenhower, or any of the leaders of the other countries who have worked with us. Certainly Mr. Khrushchev is the last person who has a right to say anything about spying. If there is any country in the world which has come within a million miles of the spying they have done, nobody knows anything about it. President Eisenhower has tried to get them to have open skies and agree to inspection. If they had nothing to hide, no sinister motives, or purposes, they would have long ago agreed to these suggestions.

Let's be realistic and not deceive ourselves in the presence of the gravest danger mankind has ever confronted. We can fool along and play dumb and have another "Pearl Harbor" far worse than the one we had twenty years ago. We might just as well turn ourselves over to the Communists now as to follow such a policy. God forbid that we should become "sitting ducks" for the Communists to take over and enslave. Let's prepare for any emergency, and then keep the door open every place we can for advance toward a real settlement of the differences. That's exactly what President Eisenhower wants—peace with justice, not peace at any price, or peace with hell turned loose in all the world.

When Will Dr. Purkiser Take Over?

Dr. W. T. Purkiser, who was recently elected editor of the *Herald of Holiness*, will take over August 1. His first editorials will be in the *Herald* dated August 24 which starts on its journey through the Nazarene Publishing House August 4. Most of the readers of the *Herald of Holiness* will receive this issue by its date—August 24.

HERE AND NOW!

By **ELTON W. HOUSE**

Pastor, Waverly, Ohio

"When we all get to heaven"—"Our troubles will soon be over"—"There'll be no tears in heaven"—"If I could have just lived in Jesus' time"—"If I could have been personally acquainted with the disciples"—"Those were the good old days"—etc., etc.

Do you recognize any of these statements? In all probability you have heard them all, from pulpit and from pew. Godly pastors, dynamic evangelists, and saintly laymen have admonished the people to "keep holding on." Perhaps, and I only say *perhaps*, this is the reason our great denomination has not grown more rapidly. What! You mean these phrases do not represent good advice? Now, I didn't say that—but I will say that advice which directs you only either to the tomorrows or back to the yesterdays is not fully sound.

Too often we have turned those who could almost "turn the world upside down" for Christ into nothing but "holding on" Christians. So often we fail to present the tremendous challenge of a "here and now" experience that our people feel that, if we can just hold on until Jesus comes, our troubles will be over. This is a nauseating distortion of Christianity. *Today* is the day of salvation—not yesterday—not tomorrow! The gospel of Christ has ever been anything except cold, static, lifeless! It ever has been stirring, moving, energetic, dynamic!

A Nazarene dare not live in the yesterdays, and he cannot live in the future. He must live in the "here and now"! The "good old days" Christian and the "keep holding on" Christian cannot be following Christ as their Example—*He* moved forward!

Remember, to hang on like a bulldog is all right if you're a bulldog; but to press forward is Christlike. Hold on to Christ and you will go forward, but He will never drag you! If you don't move on, you'll have nothing to which you can hold. Christ lives today; we must serve Him today. Keep pressing!

Our Father, we ask Thee not to unveil tomorrow, nor to shift us back to Jesus' time. For **THIS** is Jesus' time—You gave Him for *us* just as surely as You gave Him for those who've gone before. We thank Thee for *this* day in which to live, to love, and to labor. May we make today what Thou wouldst have us make it by Thy grace through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Blessedness of Tithing

By **WALTER E. ISENHOUR**

That tithing is a Bible plan,
Ordained of God in ages past,
Also a solemn, great command
That shall throughout the future last,
We have no cause for which to doubt,
No reason why we should decline;
But when by faith we try it out
He blesses all along the line.

We always have some cash to give,
Although sometimes it may be small;
But as for God we work and live
He sweetly blesses when we call,
And helps us all along life's road
To meet our debts and pay our bills,
And help our fellows bear their load,
Which brings us peace and joy and thrills.

God blesses tithers in their hearts,
Also in basket and in store;
And when there's special need, imparts
Great grace to help us more and more;
For we can lift our souls in prayer
And know that all our tithes are in,
And call on Him for strength and care
When tried by Satan's hosts to sin.

Somehow God makes the nine-tenths count,
Which we retain for our expense,
Much more than would the full amount
If we withhold in dollars, cents.
And from the nine-tenths in our purse,
If we will cheerfully divide,
God may prevent a blight or curse
And will our many needs provide.

I'm glad, through many years gone by,
I've tithed my money and my means,
And can look out on earth and sky
And praise God for such lovely scenes,
And think beyond this life and world
I'll have the riches of His grace,
Where heaven's glories are unfurled
And we shall see His lovely face!

If you live with "eternity's values in view" you will enjoy a well-adjusted Christian life.—*Selected.*

"There is no one who does not have difficulties which seem unsurmountable. It is one of life's greatest joys to have the impossible come to pass as a result of our utter dependence upon God's faithfulness."—ALVIN H. KAUFFMAN.

MUSIC MEMOETTE

By OVELLA SATRE SHAFER

William Cowper

The name of William Cowper is familiar to almost every English-speaking household, most particularly because of the illustrious hymn—"There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood" (88 in our own *Praise and Worship* hymnal). The author was born at Berkampstead, Hertfordshire, England, in 1731, son of Rev. John Cowper, who at one time was chaplain to King George II, and Mrs. Cowper, who traced her ancestry back to King Henry III. His mother died when William was but six and this fact never ceased to weigh upon his mind. Down through the years he would review her pictures and cry out in anguish because of this sore bereavement which had befallen him.

He pursued his father's choice for his life—the law profession—and attended Westminster. After serving a three-year apprenticeship, he was eligible to take the position as clerk to the House of Lords if he could pass a formal examination. Because of his sensitive and shrinking nature he failed to appear for the test, and from this time to the close of his life, he was subject to attacks of despondency and despair. However, Dr. Cotton led him to an experience of peace in God through Jesus Christ and it is stated that "in devoutness he was not surpassed even by John Wesley although his own melancholy temperament placed him at a disadvantage." Cowper is known, not only as a religious hymn writer, but as a poet and prose writer of highest rank.

It was in 1767 that Cowper took up his residence in Olney and became intimately acquainted with the curate, Rev. John Newton. He attended Newton's church, as well as the cottage prayer meetings. Most of his hymns are said to have been written for these cottage prayer meetings. These resulted in a common collection, a joint production by Newton and Cowper entitled: "Olney Hymns." Cowper's last contribution to hymnody was "God Moves in a Mysterious Way."

*God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants His footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.*

*Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take.
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.*

*Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust Him for His grace;*

*Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.*

(P. 35—"Praise and Worship")

It is told that prior to the writing of his hymn the devil attacked Cowper and in a state of blackest melancholy he hired a post chaise to take him to the river Ouse where he intended to end his life. But God intervened and sent a dense fog which so confused the driver that the author was returned to his own house after an hour or so of wandering. This unusual experience so clarified Cowper's thinking that he dismissed the cab, hurried to his room and wrote this world-famous number.

Literary critics generally regard this as "the sublimest hymn ever written in celebration of Divine Providence." Thomas James Field, an eminent authority on English literature, said of it: "To be the author of such a hymn is an achievement that angels themselves might envy." Montgomery characterized it as "a lyric of high tone and character" and we are certain that it should be classified with the best of sacred songs. Why not become acquainted with it if you do not know it?

Sister Brown is in heaven today because of—

Vision and Visitation

By THELMA GRAY

Sister Brown went to heaven early this autumn. She had been packed and ready to go home for so long; then God nodded—it was enough. Several years ago I wrote of her conversion through the outreach of Sunday school visitation. In her seventies, ill a great deal of the time, and completely deaf, she began to attend our Sunday school and to remain for the morning services. The pastor's wife took notes on the messages, and Sister Brown read them eagerly. Although she was sentenced to a world of silence, the blessed Holy Spirit, not limited to human senses, bypassed the poor, deaf ears and touched the vibrant strings of a listening heart. She rose from her place, slipped down to the altar, and found victory.

She rejoiced in new-found peace, and made no delay in becoming a member of the church. She loved every part of her new life—the pastor, the people, and the program, so far as she understood it.

Suffering had been her close companion, and sorrow had walked beside her, but Jesus had been

closer still. He accompanied her at the crossing. No respecter of age, of persons, nor of finite senses, God's love broke every barrier.

One day Sister Brown saw her husband—a man in his eighties—saved. Because of age and disability, it was necessary for them both to be taken to a rest home for a time. Later they were removed to their daughter's home, where Mrs. Brown remained until her home-going.

Not long ago the family called for our pastor. Their mother was dying. As we were visiting in their home before the funeral, the daughter said, "If there's a heaven, Mother's there."

Although death robs us of dear human forms, influence never dies. Our pastor called in the daughter's home and found a warm reception. Then last week we received a letter from her. "I wish I could be a Christian like Mother was," she wrote. "Please pray for my husband and me. We need it so."

Sister Brown must be listening to the harmonies of heaven after these silent, earth-bound years, but the circle of her decision to serve God is widening. Her experience has been a thrilling proof of the value of visitation, blest of Him who said, "Go ye."

SUFFICIENT GRACE

By MARIAN L. KNORR

*My grace is sufficient; thy needs I'll supply
If only you'll ask—and on Me rely.
My showers of blessing on thee I'll outpour.
Hold up thy cup; it shall be running o'er!*

*My grace is sufficient to keep from all sin
If only by faith thou wilt plunge therein.
The fountain is open, for cleansing this day.
Oh, come to the Truth, the Life, and the Way!*

*My grace is sufficient, though black be the night.
Hold on, faithful pilgrim, for I am the Light;
And when it seems certain that Satan will win,
My grace, all-sufficient, will come sweeping in!*

*My grace is sufficient to carry you through;
If only you'll trust Me, you'll find I am true.
A mansion I've built in that city so fair;
My grace is sufficient to pilot thee there!*

Do We Remember the "Blessed Quietness"?

The Important Prayer-Time

By FLORA E. BRECK

Some church people feel that the "Blessed Quietness" referred to in an old-time hymn is very vital to the Christian's well-being. A certain businesswoman says, "I've just got to have my quiet hour if I'm to feel even halfway on an even keel—and get along comfortably with *people*."

One weekday I was walking through a western church which was pastored by a most spiritual minister. On one door was the sign, "Dr. *Blank's* Prayer Room." I then knew the source of that minister's helpful life, for I knew he was seldom interrupted—even for church matters—while on his knees. He was a well-known writer of scriptural articles, and he was *more* than appreciated by his flock.

Referring to the importance of the daily devotional hour, this week I heard an account of a Christian man and his wife who counted much on that. The layman and his wife worked downtown every day, but to them the quiet hour was important. They heard a religious broadcast in their car each morning. Sometimes they would

get to the parking lot before the broadcast was completed, and if the daily prayer had not yet come on the program, those two would wait on the parking lot until it had. They felt unequipped for the day's duties until that had come on.

I heard today, also, of a devout couple who counted greatly on the blessing derived from the daily devotional hour in the home. The wife was mentioning about her husband's practice of using the "prayer closet" for devotions after he came home. She said, "When my husband comes home from work, I don't make a dash to get his bedroom slippers, and I don't scramble to find him the newspaper. You see, I know exactly what he wants first; he goes to his *prayer closet*, and there communes with his Master. He doesn't want a thing else until his prayer-time is completed."

Of course there are many different ways and times by different individuals for the prayer hour, but we believe it is important to have some regular time and place if possible. A little sewing-lady in our community—since gone to her reward—

used to tell me, "Yes, my sewing does sometimes make me feel nervous and frustrated, but when I feel upset I go to my sewing room. I'm at my *best* there." In other words, that was her prayer room. And, in spite of hard work and occasional worries, her *quiet hour* straightened things out, apparently; for she was a blessing to many.

Young people sometimes say they haven't time for their daily devotions, but later they likely admit, "I haven't time to *omit* the quiet hour." I once heard of a little girl who planned a quiet time when she was washing her face. As she laid the towel over it, that was her time of prayer and quiet thought.

When members of family groups are advised of the time and place for the daily devotions, they usually are thoughtful to regard—and respect—the wishes of the one who prays in quietude. The place is "holy ground," and they remember.

Shall we remember Matthew 6:6? *But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.*

PETER, REMEMBERING . . .

By GRACE V. WATKINS

"But, Master, we have toiled throughout the night,"

I said, "and all our labor was in vain."

Then in His eyes I saw a love more bright

And fair than any rainbow after rain.

"At Thy command," I murmured quietly,

"We will put out again upon the sea."

He sailed with us. And suddenly the morn

Was sunny gold, the waves were shimmering blue.

Within us strength and courage were reborn;

We cast the sturdy net, and when we drew

It out, within that briefest interlude,

The fishes were a shining multitude.

Remembering—how many times I know

A glorious joy, assured the darkest hour,

The bitterest failure can become the glow

Of radiant dawn, and victory and power;

And sin-dark lives become surpassing fair

When Christ the risen Lord has entered there!

Servicemen's Corner



FROM DISCHARGED SERVICEMEN:

"I can't tell in words just what the Nazarene Retreat meant to me. Your spiritual messages made a deep impression on me. While overseas I was called to preach and I'm sure the retreat played a great part in this call. It must have been a God-sent thing to me and other boys at just the time we needed it most. May the Lord continue to bless you and your great work."—DAVID H. MITCHELL.

"I want to thank you for your faithfulness in sending me our Nazarene literature the past two years while serving in the armed forces. It was a great source of spiritual help to me, and also to my buddies with whom I shared it. . . . I was privileged to attend the Nazarene Retreat which was a joy to my soul."—PAUL W. LEE, JR.

"I want to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the thoughtfulness of the Nazarene Servicemen's Commission in sending me our church periodicals and many kind letters during my tour with the navy.

"The Lord was good to me in the service; He gave opportunity to serve as a lay leader aboard ship. Through this I was able to tell many

about the greatness of our God. He also gave opportunity to visit several mission stations in the Far East. These visits—though brief—gave insight into this work which could have never been gained through literature. I feel much richer for it. . . . Thank you again for your remembrance."—DARRELL Z. COX.

"I am being discharged from the navy and would like to express my thanks for all the Nazarene publications I have received the past four years. I enjoyed reading most of the articles; some seemed to be written especially for me and really helped me over those rough spots! Thanks."—LARRY A. BENZE.

FROM THE AIR FORCE

"I have a change of address. I sure have enjoyed the literature and hope that you will keep sending it to me. I'm glad that I'm walking with the Lord, and that He is my All in All. I know He holds tomorrow."—A/2C KENNETH M. BUCHER.

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HOME MISSIONS

NEW CHURCHES OVERSEAS FIELDS CHURCH EXTENSION MINORITY GROUPS IN U.S.

ROY F. SMEE, Secretary

500 New Churches Last Quadrennium

The forward movement of the church into many new communities during the past four years is evidenced by 498 new churches organized during that time. The report by districts is as follows:

Abilene	11	Louisiana	2
Akron	11	Maritime	1
Alabama	10	Michigan	9
Alaska	2	Minnesota	4
Albany	4	Mississippi	9
Arizona	5	Missouri	11
Australia	2	Nebraska	4
British Isles North	1	Nevada-Utah	1
British Isles South	1	New England	6
Canada Central	12	New Mexico	3
Canada Pacific	2	New York	5
Canada West	7	New Zealand	4
Canal Zone	1	North Arkansas	5
Central Ohio	15	North Carolina	5
Chicago Central	8	North Dakota	3
Colorado	5	Northeastern Indiana	9
Dallas	6	Northeast Oklahoma	3
E. Tennessee	14	Northern California	16
E. Kentucky	6	Northwest	2
E. Michigan	7	Northwestern Illinois	6
Florida	24	Northwest Indiana	5
Georgia	7	Northwest Oklahoma	1
Gulf Central	3	Oregon Pacific	6
Hawaii	8	Philadelphia	5
Houston	7	Pittsburgh	5
Idaho-Oregon	3	Rocky Mountain	8
Illinois	12	San Antonio	2
Indianapolis	6	South Africa	8
Iowa	6	South Arkansas	6
Joplin	5	South Carolina	7
Kansas	5	South Dakota	1
Kansas City	9	Southeast Oklahoma	1
Kentucky	7	Southern California	13
Los Angeles	15	Southwest Indiana	11
		Southwest Oklahoma	4
		Tennessee	11
		Virginia	7
		Washington	3
		Washington Pacific	11
		West Germany	2

Western Ohio	8
West Virginia	13
Wisconsin	6

We especially commend Dr. John L. Knight, district superintendent, the District Home Missions Board, and the pastors and laymen of the Florida District for the outstanding record of new churches during the quadrennium. Florida topped the list for the Golden Anniversary year with fourteen new churches and organized ten more during the rest of the quadrennium.

Dr. Knight's report at the Florida District assembly in May showed the impact of this home mission advance. The following statistics are in relation to the twenty-four new churches on the Florida District this quadrennium, according to the 1960 report:

Membership in these 24 churches, 735
Sunday school average attendance, 1,359

Sunday school enrollment, 2,267

Paid general interests, \$10,771

Total paid for all purposes, \$140,910

Property value, 24 churches, \$541,200

What district is there that would not profit from such an addition in four years? Is it any wonder that during the past decade the membership, Sunday school enrollment, and total paid for all purposes by the Florida churches have more than doubled? (*If Knight can do it, others can too!*)

Our thanks to the districts that helped with churches organized just before the General Assembly: Sesser, Illinois, organized June 12 by District Superintendent Harold Daniels; Charles City, Iowa, organized June 6 by District Superintendent Gene E. Phillips; Indianapolis, Mississippi, organized June 12 by District Superintendent Otto Stucki; Terre Haute Fellowship, Southwest Indiana, organized June 12 by District Superintendent Leo C. Davis.

Nazarene Young People's Society and

Nazarene Junior Society

PONDER W. GILLILAND
Executive Secretary

Teen Activities

Fourteen busloads of teen-agers should equal 700 teens. But, when the count was taken, the total was nearer 750 than 700. Where and when did that take place? At General Assembly TEEN ACTIVITIES, June 20, 21, and 22.

That the teens of the church appreciated the special plans made for them during General Assembly was evident

by their wholehearted co-operation from the time the first busses were loaded on Monday afternoon to the conclusion of the impressive worship service on Wednesday.

Under the capable leadership of Neil Hightower and Glenn Evans, teens had an opportunity to get acquainted through two hours of intensive activity Monday afternoon. When time to gather in buzz groups was announced, the crowd transferred its enthusiasm

from play to thinking through to the answer to, "What is the Christian attitude toward dancing?"

The responses recorded by buzz group secretaries included:

"It is wrong for Christians to dance because the dance suffocates Christian experience and testimony."

"Dancing leads to other activities dangerous to Christian experience."

"My history teacher, who takes no stand as a Christian, summed up my attitude when she said that we kids expect to spend several hours dancing in a half-lighted room, leave the dance and park for an hour or two, boys and girls hold each other close, and still expect to come out okay. In her words, 'we're crazy' if that's what we think!"

Because of rain, Tuesday's plans were changed at the last minute. Neverthe-

less, the two activities leaders, Neil Hightower and Glenn Evans, again held the attention of the crowd for two hours of fun and fellowship.

Wednesday afternoon was Teen-Talent Time in the Little Theatre. The climax of the three afternoons of fun and fellowship was a thought-provoking worship service that left us with the feeling that God was very near and precious. General Assembly TEEN ACTIVITIES will not be forgotten easily.

The Sunday School Lesson

ROBERT L.
SAWYER



Topic for
August 7:

God's Love for His Children

SCRIPTURE: Hosea 11 (Printed: Hosea 11:1-9).

GOLDEN TEXT: *Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God (1 John 3:1).*

God hates sin, but He loves the sinner. We must not be prudish nor yet condone sin. But we must demonstrate to the world the love of God the Father.

The Wayward Child: God through the voice of Hosea reminds Israel that He has loved him since he was a child and has tried everything to help and keep him in the straight path. God has taught Israel to walk and, like so many children after they learn, they run away from the love of God instead of to Him.

The waywardness of the children of Israel is a stubborn and unlovely thing. They were bent on backsliding from God; and, in spite of repeated warnings and the providences of God, they refused to listen or repent. The love of the Heavenly Father meant nothing to them—they continued in their lies and deceit.

The Father's Love: "How shall I give thee up, Ephraim?" (11:8) Here the name Ephraim is used to represent all the ten tribes of the Northern Kingdom of Israel. God is their Father, and in spite of their wickedness and rejection of the overtures of God, His love is constant and seeking.

God hates sin because it alienates His children from Him. He must show His compassion and love for the sinner. Only the death of Christ could reveal the amazing love of God. "God so

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the Question box

Conducted by STEPHEN S. WHITE, Editor

What do Unitarians believe?

Their chief doctrinal teaching is that Jesus Christ was not divine. He was merely a human being. This rules out belief in the Trinity—God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit as composing the Godhead. The Unitarian idea of God is set over against the Trinitarian. The Unitarians have been so busy emphasizing this particular belief that they have not defined their

other beliefs very specifically. Also, it should be said that within this century some who have called themselves Unitarians have gone further and rejected belief in a personal God altogether. They are religious humanists, and as such believe that the good life can and must be attained by man himself without any help from God or any power above man.

Doesn't the water of the sacrament of baptism point to the Spirit in His sanctifying power? If this is the case, why haven't we stated this truth in our baptismal ritual in the "Manual"?

You are right. The water of the sacrament of baptism does point to the baptism with the Holy Spirit, which sanctifies. Dr. H. Orton Wiley says: "As a sign, therefore, baptism not only symbolizes regeneration, but also the baptism with the Holy Spirit which is the peculiar event of this dispensation. Accordingly the pouring out of the 'Spirit upon all flesh,' as prophesied by Joel, is in the New Testament called a baptism. It is to this that John the Baptist referred when he said, *He shall*

*baptize you with the Holy Ghost and fire (Matt. 3:11); and to which Jesus himself referred when He said to His disciples, *Ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence (Acts 1:5).**" (*Christian Theology*, Volume III, p. 176.) Our *Manual* ritual does bring out the thought that baptism points back to regeneration, but it does not mention its reference to the baptism with the Holy Ghost as does Dr. Wiley in the quotation which I have given.

About two months ago I sent a question to you, asking who created evil. It was not answered. Am I right in believing all things were created by God and for Him? Will you please explain Isaiah 45:7, Proverbs 16:4, and Colossians 1:16-20.

One reason that I did not answer your question is that I discussed it quite fully in the *Herald* dated February 17, 1960. But since you and others seem still to be troubled about this question, I will give some more space to it. Take your Bible and read the first and second chapters of Genesis. There you find the story of creation and the beginning of man's life on the earth. Then, if you will read the third chapter of Genesis, you will find the story of the Fall, of the fact that Adam and Eve disobeyed God and thus sinned. In this story of the Fall there isn't even a hint that God made Adam and Eve sin. They sinned because they chose to sin—they were created free moral agents and could choose to obey or disobey God. Thus man was the originator of sin on this earth—God did not create it. Another fact which is taught in the story of the Fall is that there was some superhuman power present when man fell, and somewhat influenced him to do wrong. This serpent, or superhuman power, did not force man to disobey God, but he placed his influence on the side of sin. In other words, Satan, the serpent, the devil, tempted Adam and Eve to disobey God and eat of the fruit of the tree which was in the midst of the Garden of Eden. God didn't create man's sin and neither did the devil, although Satan placed his influence on

the side of sinning. Adam and Eve were the creators of their own sin, and thus started sin in this world. God created man free, so that he could choose either good or bad, but He did not force man to choose either. Finally, man, and not God or Satan, brought sin into this world. But the story does not end there. Where did this superhuman power, the serpent, come from? The orthodox Christian view is that this superhuman tempter, the serpent, was a fallen creature (see Luke 10:18). He had been created by God as a free being, and had chosen sin before man did. God did not create this angel, or superhuman being, a sinner. God created him holy, and with the free will which God gave him, he disobeyed God, sinned, and fell. Years ago I heard Dr. H. C. Morrison, one of the greatest of holiness preachers, deliver a wonderful message on this subject, "How the Devil Was Made and How to Make Another One." To put it briefly, his answer to this question was: The devil made himself by using the free will which God had created him with to choose the wrong rather than the right. The same is true of Adam and Eve. God did not make them sinners, they made themselves sinners. Therefore, sin was not created by God, but by finite creatures

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loved . . . he gave." The sinner deserves the punishment of hell, but God offers heaven if the sinner will only repent and do His will.

God still reaches out His hand of mercy and steadfast love to the backslidden and wayward child through His Son, Jesus. He is not willing that any should perish.

No greater love than this! God hates

sin, but He loves the sinner. The blood of Christ can go deeper than the stain of sin, and He can fill the heart with perfect love. "God so loved . . . he gave" (John 3:16). This is the gospel we proclaim!

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(Question Box continues)

who were created by God, through the wrong use of the freedom which God gave them. (Next week I will discuss the particular scriptures which you mention in your question.)

ers pledged themselves to obey if God ever beckoned them into service.

On Wednesday morning God broke into the order of things after Brother Beals's message and souls made their way to the altar without an invitation. Again at night there were several seekers after the evening message.

Thursday saw one of the biggest altar services we have ever witnessed in British Honduras. Sixty-five seekers were kneeling at the front after Brother Beals's message. Some young people heard the call of God to service and have applied for entrance to our Bible school. We praise God for this unusual time of victory.

On Friday we had our usual Communion service at six o'clock in the morning. Later came the baptismal service when eleven candidates were given Christian baptism.

The climax to the week came when eight students graduated from our Bible college to take up their duties as pastors, teachers, and nurses on the district. Rev. Prescott Beals's commencement address left an indelible impression on the hearts of all. Certainly the graduating students cannot possibly forget the challenge to devoted service for God.

How we thank God for the life and ministry of Brother Beals. He is "Brother Beals" to all of us—missionaries, pastors, and lay members alike. A spirit of unity exists on the field. Together we will march forward to certain victory with Christ going before us.

Pray that God may send a mighty, sweeping revival to British Honduras during this new assembly year.—Reporter.

Foreign Missions

REMISS REHFELDT, *Secretary*

From Northern Rhodesia

We are praising and thanking God today for His protection and love. Though there is much unrest and strife around us, God has protected us and kept us. We have had many opportunities to witness and work for Him. We are in revival services now in three different areas, and will appreciate the prayers of the folk at home.

The schools for African children will be closing now for their vacations, and our first year of work in these government schools will end. A goodly number of children from our Bible classes at these schools are now attending our various churches and we feel our contact has been a good one. We are now reaching four lower schools and one junior college. Two of our young men are entering Bible school in August, and we are hoping for a good boost in the work here in a few years. Our new national pastor and his wife, who graduated from Bible school in December, 1959, are really hard workers and have been reaching the community around the Barton chapel where they pastor, far better than we could ever have hoped to do ourselves.

Since turning the Barton chapel over

to them, we have opened another area and our first service was well attended. We reach almost four hundred children each week with religious education classes in this particular location.

Do pray for our African Christians. When they take their stand for God against the pressures of the various political groups, they are threatened for not co-operating. Their lives could be in real danger if there comes an active uprising again. Pray that they will continue to stand firm for Christ and bear a bright witness for Him.—E. K. and PHYLLIS WISSBROECKER, *Northern Rhodesia, Africa.*

Unusual District Assembly British Honduras

"Unusual" is a fitting word to describe the assembly and conventions held in Benque Viejo, British Honduras, a few weeks ago.

Young people's and missionary society conventions were highlighted by inspirational messages and encouraging reports.

The evening of the N.F.M.S. Convention brought a moving sight as called workers made their way forward to rededicate themselves to God. Many oth-

NEWS of the Churches



Woodbury, Georgia—Harmony Church recently had a successful revival with Evangelist H. E. Darnell, a fine man of God who preaches the old-time gospel. God met with us each night, and used Brother Darnell's soul-stirring messages to get to the hearts of the people. Backsliders were reclaimed, sinners converted, and a good number sanctified wholly. We give God praise for each victory won. The special singing of Mrs. Darnell was a blessing to all. Harmony Church is moving forward under the capable leadership of our fine pastor, Rev. W. P. Colvin.—MARTHA DUKES, *Reporter.*

Placentia, California—Recently we enjoyed a meeting with Evangelists R. E. and Dorothy Bridgwater. The presence of the Lord was felt in an unusual way, and the old rugged gospel truth was preached with much love. Brother and Sister Bridgwater gave of themselves without reservation, with a real passion for souls, and the Lord blessed their ministry. We greatly appreciated the old-time holiness ministry of these evangelists. We feel that the revival fires are beginning here because of the work of these devoted servants of God.—FRANK L. DABNEY, *Pastor.*

Burlington, North Carolina—After serving as pastor for eight years, the church board voted unanimously for Rev. W. Lee Gann to be the evangelist for our spring revival. We praise God for the results. It was one of our best attended revivals, and the evangelist was great. Fifty-eight souls sought God for spiritual help. We give God praise for all His blessings, and especially for our pastor who has served here so faithfully and unselfishly for these years.—LANDLIN BARLOW, *Reporter.*

First Church, McAlester, Oklahoma



Members and friends of First Church moved into their lovely, new, air-conditioned sanctuary on last January 24. The building was dedicated on Easter Sunday, with Rev. Glen Jones, district superintendent, in charge. The building was constructed under the leadership of Rev. John L. Harrison, who came as pastor in July of 1957. With the pastor doing the purchasing, and having direct supervision of con-

struction, we were able to build the sanctuary at a total price of \$21,500. The building is complete with nursery, rest rooms, baptistry and Sunday school rooms. The seating capacity of the sanctuary is three hundred, with the educational building at the rear of the sanctuary. Other building plans are slated for the future. We give God praise for His help and blessing.—*Reporter*.

Evangelist W. Lawson Brown reports: "Three years ago I resigned a good pastorate in McAllen, Texas, to enter the field of evangelism. During these three years I have been in sixty meetings, in fourteen states, and have seen a large number of people bow at the altar and pray through to victory in God. I very greatly appreciate our good district superintendents who have boosted and recommended me to their people; also my thanks to our pastors and wonderful laymen who have received me, prayed for me, and stood by me financially. I have had only two cancellations in these three years. I praise the Lord for His love and compassion and traveling mercies; I am very happy in my work. I have a full slate for the remainder of this year, except the date, December 7 to 18; then have some open time for '61. Write me, Box 498, Bethany, Oklahoma."

Evangelist Orville H. Kleven reports: "At this time (June 28), Wife and I are enjoying a vacation, visiting our relatives in Norway and Denmark. It has been a very busy year for us here in Scandinavia, with many bowing at the altar of prayer and seeking God for holiness of heart. God has given us such a wonderful response that we cancelled our reservations to sail from Oslo on August 30, feeling definitely led of the Lord to remain here longer. We have a full slate here in Norway until next June, so have asked the churches in America to allow us to cancel our meet-

ings there. We thank all our friends who have been and are praying for us, and also thank those pastors who have invited us to minister in their churches. We will be in Frankfurt, Germany, with Brother and Sister Gerald Johnson for the month of August. Please do continue to remember us in your prayers."

Dover, Tennessee—McGees Chapel (rural church) recently had a wonderful revival with Rev. James O. Deal, pastor of Crystal Lake Church in Lakeland, Florida, as the evangelist. Fifteen people prayed through to victory. On the closing day, nine were baptized and five young people united with the church on profession of faith. The entire church was encouraged and helped to move forward under the Spirit-anointed ministry of Brother Deal. On both Sundays of the meeting we enjoyed the ministry in song of Brother A. C. Wakefield. Plans are now being made for the construction of a new sanctuary.—*VERNON E. HURLES, Pastor*.

Bellflower, California—Our church recently had a very successful youth revival with Rev. Norvie Clift as evangelist. All the services were blessed with the presence of the Holy Spirit, and dozens of seekers found help from God at the altar of prayer. Brother Clift is a dynamic, second-blessing holiness preacher, whose messages warm the hearts of those who hear him. Many have said this was the best revival the church has had.—*MEL RAYBORN, Reporter*.

Pastor C. N. Personett reports from Mount Vernon, Indiana: "Coming to First Church here last September, we found a wonderful group of folk and have enjoyed working with them. God has been helping in a gracious way. Recently we closed a six-day revival, and God gave us some good victories. The Pickering Musicales are wonderful workers, and God uses their talent and fine spirit to be a blessing to the church."

Sunday School Evangelists Lyle and Lois Potter report: "We are now completing our sixth year majoring in Sunday school tours and conventions, traveling two hundred thousand miles. While we have given priority to district tours and conventions, we have worked in several local church Sunday school crusades. It has also been our privilege to serve the Department of Church Schools as convention speaker, workshop leader, and as director of the General Camp and Caravan programs. These have been wonderful years. We are grateful to God and our church for giving us the opportunity for such a wide ministry. This spring we toured Southeast Oklahoma, Missouri, Southwest Indiana, Iowa, and Louisiana districts, during which time we traveled and worked with some of the finest district superintendents and church school board chairmen in the nation. We are very happy in our place of service and covet your continued prayers that we will be used as never before to stir our churches to do more for God and souls through the Sunday school."

Evangelists Dave and Joy Erickson write: "Due to a pastoral change, we have a fall date open, November 14 to 20, which we'd like to slate in the area of Arkansas, Mississippi, or Missouri. Write us, 3972 Christopher Street, Charleston Heights, South Carolina."

Rev. Forest McCullough writes: "After three and one-half years as pastor of First Church at Greeneville, Tennessee, I am re-entering the evangelistic field as of August 1. I will be glad to go anywhere the Lord may lead. Write me, 787 E. Waldorf Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee."

Deaths

MRS. FRIEDA E. CRONRATH was born May 2, 1891, and died March 24, 1960, after a few months' illness. She had been a Christian since her youth, and a charter member of the Church of the Nazarene, Harrington, Washington, where she served as organist since its beginning. She is survived by her husband, Ernest; four sons, Raymond A., Harold A., Clarence E., and Eugene W.; one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Kirk; a brother, Arthur Buhl; and a sister, Mrs. Alma Cronrath. Funeral service was in charge of Rev. Crawford T. Vanderpool, assisted by her pastor, Rev. Harold Paul, with interment in the Hillcrest Cemetery.

MRS. LELA B. FOGO was born April 12, 1911, at Palco, Kansas, and died October 16, 1959, at a hospital in Denver, Colorado, after having been seriously ill for six months. In 1934 she was united in marriage to Mr. Fogo. Prior to her death she had been living with her two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Dunham and Mrs. Verle Bishop, of Denver. She is also survived by a son, Lanny D.; her mother, Mrs. L. E. Bomgardner; and a brother, Harold Bomgardner. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. E. L. Cornelson, pastor, First Church of the Nazarene in Denver.

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## Nazarene Road Marker Helps in Contest

It was Sunday morning. A Nazarene couple, friends of mine, motoring through a south central state, planned to attend some Nazarene Sunday school and morning service. They approached a city of considerable size where they were sure a Church of the Nazarene was located. Very carefully they searched for a sign or marker of some kind that would direct them to the church—but in vain.

So they drove on, and soon came near to a relatively small town. And there it was—an attractive highway sign which advertised the Church of the Nazarene, giving the location. My friends attended that church and, knowing them as I do, I am sure that a generous check was found in the offering plates that morning—probably enough to pay for all the signs which that enterprising pastor and church had purchased. Furthermore, the two churches involved were in a Sunday school contest, and the smaller church had two attendants that morning which the other church lost because they couldn't find that church.

Appropriate and adequate signs should be placed on highways and streets leading to our churches, and the church itself should be properly identified. The cost of such markers is not at all prohibitive, and in hundreds of our churches there are laymen who will gladly pay for such effective means of public contact for the Church of the Nazarene.

*Taken from the article "Can They Find Your Church?" by Dr. Hugh C. Benner, previously printed in the "Herald of Holiness."*

**MRS. MAE HANNA JOHNSON** was born May 22, 1893, in Harrison County, Kentucky, and died March 31, 1960, at Frankfort, Kentucky. She was a faithful member of the Frankfort Church of the Nazarene which she joined twenty-nine years ago. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. U. J. Herren, of Cynthia, Kentucky; two sons, M. H. and C. E. Johnson, both of California; also six sisters and two brothers. Funeral service was held in the church by the pastor, Rev. J. Carter Roberts, assisted by Dr. L. T. Wells, with burial in the Frankfort Cemetery.

**FRANK CHARLES BAZE**, age sixty-nine, died March 28 at his home in Ashland, Oregon. He was born in Texas and moved to the Shafter-Wasco area in 1938. More than a year ago he moved to Ashland, where he was a member of the Church of the Nazarene. He is survived by his wife, Virgie; his mother, Ellie Baze; four sons, Floyd, J. C., Doc, and Bobby; five daughters, Louise Canaday, Gertrude Sowder, Patricia Williamson, Marie Lovett, and Lucille Roberts; also three brothers, Jesse, Lee, and Billy; and one sister, Ada Schultz. Funeral service was in charge of Rev. R. R. Richle and Rev. John Esterline.

## Announcements RECOMMENDATION

After pastoring some of our better churches for several years, and having declined to serve in that field any longer, Rev. W. R. Donaldson will return to the field of evangelism this fall. He will be available for revivals, camps, and conventions beginning October 1; write him, 109 W. Sycamore, Blytheville, Arkansas. I am happy to recommend Brother Donaldson to our people. He is a godly man, loves the Church of the Nazarene and the way of holiness, and will be a profitable servant of God wherever he is used.—J. W. Hendrickson, Superintendent of North Arkansas District.

## WEDDING BELLS

Miss Donita Von Seggen of Farmington, Iowa, and Mr. Frank Clark of Aledo, Illinois, were united in marriage on June 24, at Farmington, with Rev. J. K. French officiating.

Miss Lola Lotspelch and Larry Rap, both of Ainsworth, Nebraska, were united in marriage on June 14, at First Church of the Nazarene in Ainsworth, with their pastor, Rev. James Tapley, officiating.

Miss Barbara Scott of Bourbonnais, Illinois, and Mr. Gene Hartness of Alexandria, Indiana, were united in marriage on May 15, in Central Christian Church in Van Buren, Indiana, with Rev. Robert Scott, father of the bride, officiating, assisted by Rev. C. T. Fleetwood.

**BORN**—to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schall of Ebensburg, Pennsylvania, a son, Samuel Joseph, on June 22.

—to Rev. and Mrs. Stanley McElrath of Globe, Arizona, a son, Stephen David, on June 22.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Herman C. Lawrence of Tamm, Illinois, a son, James Clayton, on June 6.

—to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bass of Payne, Ohio, a daughter, Toni Annette, on May 23.

**SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED** by a Christian mother in Pennsylvania for the salvation of her son and his wife—they have two small children, and their home is about to be broken up;  
by a Christian brother in Ohio that he may be sanctified wholly, his son soundly converted, and his wife healed of a chronic ailment;  
by a Nazarene lady in Michigan, living alone, about to lose her eyesight, also has other ailments and is very nervous, that God may undertake and definitely touch her body;  
by a Christian brother in California "for my wife who is afflicted with cancer in the spine."

## Nazarene Camp Meetings

**August 5 to 14**—Arizona District Camp, at the Nazarene District Center, Prescott, Arizona. Workers: Dr. John Logan, Rev. Fred Thomas, and Professor Ron Lush. Rev. M. L. Mann, district superintendent. For information, write Rev. James F. Cullumber, 3367 N. Geronimo, Tucson, Arizona.

**August 5 to 14**—Sartinville Camp, Sartinville, Mississippi. Workers: Rev. Arthur E. Kelley, evangelist; the Bender Family, singers and musicians. For information, write Rev. C. E. Toney, Route 1, Jayess, Miss.

**August 5 to 14**—Southwest Oklahoma District Camp, at Anadarko, Oklahoma (campground 3½ miles west of Anadarko, on Hiway 9). Workers: Dr. Remiss Rehfeldt, Rev. Daniel Stafford, preachers; Rev. Joe L. Bean, Jr., singer. Services, 10:00 a.m., and 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. For information write the

district superintendent, Rev. W. T. Johnson, Box 249, Duncan, Oklahoma.

**August 5 through 14**—Washington & Philadelphia District Camp Meeting, at North East, Maryland (between Baltimore and Wilmington; Delaware, on Route 40). Workers: Dr. L. T. Corlett, Rev. Paul Kindschi, Dr. Wm. Greathouse; Dr. John Cochran, missionary; Professor Paul Qualls, singer; Grace Bertolet, musician; Mrs. Wm. Snyder, children's worker. Dr. E. E. Grosse, superintendent of Washington District; and Rev. Wm. C. Allshouse, superintendent of Philadelphia District. For information, write the camp manager, Rev. Boyd Long, % Nazarene Camp, North East, Maryland; or 305 Euclid Ave., Trenton, New Jersey.

**August 8 to 14**—Iowa District Camp, at Nazarene campgrounds, West Des Moines, Iowa. Workers: Dr. Hardy C. Powers, Rev. Don Scarlett, and The Speer Family. Dr. Gene E. Phillips, district superintendent. For information, write the host pastor, Rev. C. E. Stanley, 2009 Beaver, Des Moines, Iowa.

**August 18 to 28**—Tabor Nazarene Camp, at Tabor, Iowa. Workers: Rev. Roy Bettcher, evangelist, and the Pierce Family, singers and musicians. For information, write Rev. Irving Mitchell.

**August 19 to 28**—Clarksburg Nazarene Camp, Clarksburg, Ontario. Workers: Dr. W. M. McGuire and Rev. Claude W. Jones, evangelists; the Mullen Brothers, singers and musicians; Mrs. Allan (Aunt Kattie) Naylor, children's worker. Rev. H. Blair Ward, district superintendent. For reservations, write Miss Bertha Wilcox, Clarksburg, Ontario. Rev. A. E. Peterson, camp manager.

**August 22 to 28**—Abilene District Camp, Camp Arrowhead, Glen Rose, Texas. A trailer court is installed, full utilities available. Workers: Dr. Ralph Earle and Rev. Ted Martin, preachers; Professor Dick Edwards, singer. Rev. Raymond W. Hurn, district superintendent. For reservations, write Otto Lissenbee, Camp Arrowhead, Cleburne, Texas.

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## District Assembly Information

**NORTHWEST OKLAHOMA**—Assembly, August 3 and 4, at Bethany First Church, 119 Northwest

Main, Bethany, Oklahoma. Send mail, merchandise, and other items relating to the assembly % the entertaining pastor. Dr. E. S. Phillips, 119 Northwest Main, Bethany, Oklahoma. (N.F.M.S. convention, August 1; Church Schools, August 2; N.Y.P.S., August 2.) Dr. D. I. Vanderpool presiding.

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**DALLAS**—Assembly, August 10 and 11, at Church of the Nazarene, 403 E. Burleson, Marshall, Texas. Send mail, merchandise, and other items relating to the assembly % the entertaining pastor, Rev. J. Lewis Ingles, 403 E. Burleson, Marshall, Texas. (Conventions, Monday through Tuesday.) Dr. Samuel Young presiding.

**IOWA**—Assembly, August 10 and 11, at the Nazarene Campground, West Des Moines, Iowa. Send mail, merchandise, and other items relating to the assembly % the entertaining pastor, Rev. C. E. Stanley, 2009 Beaver, Des Moines, Iowa. Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

**KENTUCKY**—Assembly, August 10 and 11, at First Church, 2203 Dixie Highway, Louisville, Kentucky. Send mail, merchandise, and other items relating to the assembly % the entertaining pastor, Rev. Hadley Hall, 2620 Neblett St., Louisville, Kentucky. (N.F.M.S. convention, August 8, evening—August 9; Sunday School convention, August 10, evening.) Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

**VIRGINIA**—Assembly, August 10 and 11, at the District center, R.F.D., Buckingham, Virginia. Send mail, merchandise, and other items relating to the assembly % Mr. Charles E. Blackburn, camp caretaker, Nazarene Campground, R.F.D., Buckingham, Virginia. (N.F.M.S. convention—August 9, opening service evening of August 8.) Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

**MISSOURI**—Assembly, August 17 and 18, at the Pincrest Camp, Fredericktown, Missouri. Send mail, merchandise, and other items relating to the assembly % Dr. E. D. Simpson, Box 349, Fredericktown, Missouri. (Truck line from Fredericktown would appreciate delivery of materials.) (N.F.M.S. convention, August 15 and 16.) Dr. G. B. Williamson presiding.

**NORTHWEST INDIANA**—Assembly, August 17 and 18 at First Church, corner Logan and Mishawaka Avenues, Mishawaka, Indiana. Send mail, merchandise, and other items relating to the assembly % Rev. Henry Hackett, 112 W. Broadway, Mishawaka, Indiana, entertaining pastor. (N.F.M.S. convention, August 15 and 16.) Dr. Hugh C. Benner presiding.

**TENNESSEE**—Assembly, August 17 and 18, at First Church, 1026 Washington St., Clarksville, Tennessee. Send mail, merchandise, and other items relating to the assembly % the entertaining pastor, Rev. Claude Galloway, 1729 Haynes Road, Clarksville, Tennessee. (N.Y.P.S. convention, August 15; N.F.M.S. convention, August 16.) Dr. Hardy C. Powers presiding.

**NORTHWESTERN ILLINOIS**—Assembly, August 18 and 19, at the District Center, Manville Camp, Manville, Illinois. Send mail, merchandise, and other items relating to the assembly % Mr. Harry Morrow, Manville Camp caretaker, Manville, Illinois. (N.Y.P.S. convention, August 15; N.F.M.S. convention, August 16; Sunday school convention, August 17.) Dr. V. H. Lewis presiding.





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